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COURTHOUSE NEWS SERVICE,

v.

AMANDA TOSTE, et al.,

Plaintiff,

Defendants.

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## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

## EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

Case No. 1:21-cv-01790-ADA-SAB

Case No. 1.21-CV-01/90-ADA-SAD

ORDER DIRECTING THE CLERK OF THE COURT TO TERMINATE STEPHANIE HANSEL AND NOCONA SOBOLESKI AS DEFENDANTS IN THIS ACTION

(ECF Nos. 37, 38)

On March 13, 2023, the parties filed stipulated dismissals pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 41(a) as to the dismissal of Defendants Stephanie Hansel and Nocona Soboleski, in their official capacities as court executive officer/clerk of the Sutter County Superior Court and court executive officer/clerk of the Kings County Superior Court, respectively. (ECF Nos. 37, 38.) The dismissal of these Defendants is with prejudice. (ECF No. 37 at 2; ECF No. 38 at 2.) The claims against the other named Defendants are not subject to the stipulation and will remain active.

Rule 41(a) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure allows a party to dismiss some or all of the defendants in an action through a Rule 41(a) notice. Wilson v. City of San Jose, 111 F.3d 688, 692 (9th Cir. 1997); see also Concha v. London, 62 F.3d 1493, 1506 (9th Cir. 1995) ("The plaintiff may dismiss either some or all of the defendants—or some or all of his claims—through a Rule 41(a)(1) notice.")); Hells Canyon Pres. Council v. U.S. Forest Serv., 403 F.3d 683, 687

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(9th Cir. 2005) (The Ninth Circuit has "only extended the rule to allow the dismissal of all claims against one defendant, so that a defendant may be dismissed from the entire action."). "Filing a notice of voluntary dismissal with the court automatically terminates the action as to the defendants who are the subjects of the notice." Concha, 62 F.3d at 1506.

Accordingly, the Clerk of the Court is DIRECTED to terminate Defendants Stephanie Hansel and Nocona Soboleski as defendants in this action.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: March 14, 2023

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE